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For: Damascene Interconnect Structure and Fabrication Method Having Air Gaps Between Metal Lines and Metal Layers

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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(REVOCATION OF PRIOR POWERS)

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- application,
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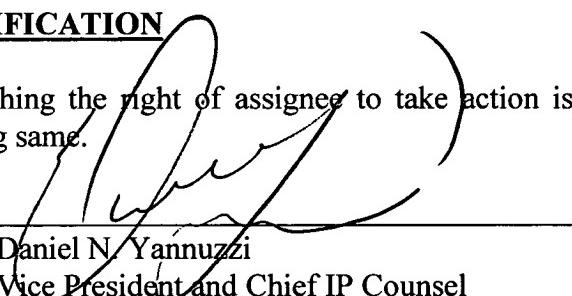
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ASSIGNEE CERTIFICATION

The certification under 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) establishing the right of assignee to take action is attached hereto along with documentation evidencing same.


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**CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b)
ESTABLISHING RIGHT OF ASSIGNEE TO TAKE ACTION**

1. The assignee of the entire right, title and interest hereby seeks to take action in the PTO in this matter.

IDENTIFICATION OF ASSIGNEE

2. The assignee of this matter is:

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4. A chain of title from the inventor(s) to the current assignee is shown below:

- a. From: Bin Zhao and Maureen R. Brongo
To: Conexant Systems, Inc.
Recorded in PTO: See Exhibit A evidencing assignment that has already been filed. No Reel and Frame has been assigned as of yet.

DECLARATIONS

5. I, the undersigned, have reviewed all the documents in the chain of title of the

- application
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matter identified above and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee identified above.

6. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements, and the like so made, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001, Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

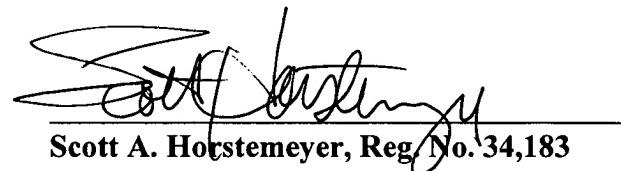
7. I, the person signing below, aver that I am empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the assignee.

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